

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Cancelled)
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11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Amended) An electro-surgical forceps comprising:

a first blade having an inner surface, an outer surface, a tip end, a proximal end and a first joint position disposed between the tip end and the proximal end;

a second blade having an inner surface, an outer surface, a tip end a proximal end and a second joint position disposed between the tip end and the proximal end;

a fixing joint for preventing the rotation of the distal ends of the first and second blades disposed adjacent the proximal end of the first and the second blades;

a first tip adjustment joint disposed at the first joint position;

the tip ends of the first blade pivotably connected to the first tip adjustment joint, wherein the first tip adjustment joint selectively allows the tip end of the first blade to

pivot independent of the second blade and selectively prevents the tip end of the first blade from pivoting independent of the second blade;

at least one electrical terminal electrically connected to at least one of the first blade and the second blade; and

an insulator disposed between the first blade and the second blade to electrically isolate the first blade from the second blade.

13. (Previously Amended) The forceps of claim 12, wherein the tip adjustment joint comprises:

a first bolt having a head end and a threaded end;

a first nut having a contact surface;

the first blade joint position includes an opening adjacent to the proximal end;

the second blade joint position includes an opening adjacent to the proximal end;

the first bolt being adapted to have the threaded end pass through the first blade opening, and the head end being adapted to engage the outer surface of the first tip end;

the first nut being threadably engagable with the threaded end of the first bolt;

and

the contact surface of the first nut contacting the inner surface of the first blade.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Previously Amended) The forceps of claim 12, further comprising:
a second tip adjustment joint;
wherein the second tip adjustment joint is disposed at the second joint
position.

18. (Cancelled)

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